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Title:

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AND METASTASIS

Appl. No.:

09/829,968

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Holleran, Anne L.

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

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a. Previously submitted:

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RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$770.00	=	\$770.00
Total Claims:	7	-	20	= 0		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	1	-	3	= 0		x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please enter the following Request for Continued Examination submission in the above-referenced application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: